

African-American Heritage (Indianapolis)

Day One

Start your day touring historic downtown Indianapolis. Possible stops include -

- [Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church](#), once serving as a stop on the Underground Railroad, is known to be the oldest African-American church in Indianapolis.
- [Madame Walker Theatre Center](#) was built as a tribute to the nation's first self-made African-American female millionaire. Visit the museum showcasing Madame Walker's products and other memorabilia.
- [Indiana World War Memorial Plaza](#) exhibits the "Military Heritage of Black Americans in National Defense" displaying photos and documents from Buffalo Soldiers, Tuskegee Airmen, and soldiers from the Vietnam, World War II, Korea, Spanish American, American Revolution and Civil War.



A local favorite for years, the historic [Indianapolis City Market](#) offers an abundance of lunch fare choices.

Next stop at the [Crispus Attucks Museum](#), this four-gallery museum celebrates the contributions of African Americans across the United States and is housed in the first African American high school in Indianapolis.

Explore [Circle Centre](#) in downtown Indy featuring Nordstrom, Parisians, and many specialty stores.

Dine with residents of [Freetown Village](#), the first black settlement in Indiana after the Civil War. Hear their stories and participate in friendly game competitions.

Day Two

Shop and browse downtown Zionsville. Visit the gallery of internationally acclaimed contemporary artist [Nancy Noël](#). Noël's African art series shows her unique versatility bringing you face to face with a diminishing culture.

Journey into the past at [Conner Prairie](#) in Fishers and experience living history interact with residents from the 1800s. In the spring and fall, experience life as a run-away slave in 1836 by participating in their [Follow the North Star Program](#). (Because of the nature of the experience, participants must be 12 years or older.)



For additional attraction, restaurant and lodging information – [Indianapolis Convention & Visitors Association](#)